Introduced by Senator Scott

February 24, 2006

An act to amend Section 87880 of the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1594, as introduced, Scott. Postsecondary education: part-time faculty.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges, a postsecondary education system consisting of community college districts. Existing law establishes the Community College Part-Time Faculty Office Hours Program for the purpose of providing community college students equal access to academic advice and assistance, and to encourage community college districts to provide opportunities by compensating part-time faculty who hold office hours related to their teaching load. Existing law also makes legislative findings and declaration relating to part-time faculty office hours.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to those findings and declarations.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 87880 of the Education Code is 2 amended to read:
- 3 87880. The Legislature finds and declares that community
- 4 college part-time faculty are required to fulfill the same teaching
- 5 responsibilities as full-time faculty—although, even though
- 6 students have little or no access to part-time faculty members

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1 outside of the classroom. It is the intent of the Legislature that

- 2 students have the same opportunity for academic assistance and
- 3 guidance without regard to whether a course at a community
- 4 college is taught by a full-time or a part-time faculty member. It
- 5 is the further intent of the Legislature that community college
- 6 part-time faculty teaching a minimum number of courses be
- 7 compensated for providing academic counseling and assistance
- 8 to students outside of the classroom.